Sl.No.	Name of the State/UT	No. of schools as on 1.4.2001	Number of schools per million of population in the State
15.	Meghalaya	10	5
16.	Mizoram	17	17
17.	Nagaland	8	4
18.	Orissa	231	6
19.	Punjab	282	12
20.	Rajasthan	155	3
21.	Sikkim	7	7
22.	Tamil Nadu	700	11
23.	Tripura	12	3
24.	Uttar Pradesh	910	5
25.	West Bengal	39	1
26.	Andaman and Nicobar	3	8
27.	Chandigarh	17	17
28.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	2	10
29.	Daman and Diu	2	13
30.	Delhi	38	3
31.	Lakshadweep	—	—
32.	Pondicherry	12	12
	TOTAL:	6728	—

National average number of schools per million of population is 7

Agro water management

t3326. PROF. R.B:S. VARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have allocated money for agro water management in the agriculture sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether decision has been taken for utilisation of this amount in Rajasthan and Maharashtra; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) and (b) In order to exploit the groundwater potential avai lable in Eastern region, Government of India has approved a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme of "On Farm Water Management" which has been launched during the year 2001-2002 for increasing crop production in Eastern India. Under the scheme financial assistance for sinking Shallow Tube Wells/Low Lift Irrigation points, electric/dicsel water pumping sets and dug wells (for plateau regions only) will be provided to the farmers through NABARD as credit linked scheme. The funding pattern of the scheme will be on 20:30:50 basis *i.e.* 20% as contribution from the beneficiaries, 30% as Government of India assistance as subsidy and remaining 50% as loan from the commercial/State cooperative/rural banks. This scheme is to be implemented in ten States, *viz.,* Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Manipur, Mizoram, Orissa, Eastern UP and West Bengal.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. The scheme is approved only for Eastern India.

Promoting aquaculture

3327. DR. A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have evolved any scheme to promote aquaculture industry in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of such industries functioning at present; and

(d) the number of applications received for setting upsuch industries during the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUM DEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) There is no Aquaculture industry in the Country. Aquaculture is a farming activity which the Government is supporting through a technical, financial and extension package to fish/ shrimp farmers through Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Development of Fresh Water Aquaculture and Integrated Coastal Aquaculture. A network of 429 Fish Farmers Development Agencies (FFDAs) and 39 Brackishwater Fish Farmers Development Agencies (BFDAs) has been established for this purpose. The State-wise details of such agencies are given in Statement-I. (See below).